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Major General A. H. Dolling, GSC
 Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
 Department of the Army
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Alec,

Thank you for your letter of 21 August bringing to my attention the letter sent by our [] to an employee of the Army Language School with a view to his possible employment by C.I.A.

I find that this letter was sent based on a misconception on the part of [] that the inclusion of a request to the employee concerned to submit a release with any application sent to us was sufficient to avoid the implication of proselyting. This misconception has been cleared up and our personnel procurement people have again been instructed that they will not contact directly any individual employed by another Government agency without prior clearance from the appropriate authorities of the agency concerned.

I regret very much that this incident has occurred, and wish to assure you that we feel as strongly as ever about proselyting and will continue to refuse to countenance even the appearance of such action.

[] will be informed that the letter sent to him on 2 August should be completely disregarded and that we have no position available for him.

I appreciate your bringing this matter to my personal attention.

Sincerely,

Signer - disp via ER 8/25/50

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 Director of Central Intelligence

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